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# Interview Summary

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Date of Interview Feb 3, 2003

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 12

Identification of prior art discussed:

SUZUKI (US Pat. No. 6,044,067) and SNOWDEN et al. (US Pat. No. 5,974,032)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

As to claim 1, terms "data being divided into data units", "data element" and "status data element" were discussed. The terms need definition as to specify that each "data unit" includes a "data element" and "status data element", as argued. Further, a link between these terms and the expression "two consecutive data units" needs to be established, as argued. SUZUKI meets the claim as written.

As to claim 12, the term "status bit" was discussed. Such term is too broad. The claim fails to contain further definition/limitation of the term. SNOWDEN et al.'s bit rate indicator reads as the claimed status bit. SNOWDEN et al. meets the claim as written.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

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